

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Original) A flame-retardant resin composition comprising a resin composition mainly comprising a lactic acid resin, and 50 to 150 parts by mass of a surface-treated metallic hydroxide based on 100 parts by mass of said lactic acid resin.
2. (Original) The flame-retardant resin composition of claim 1 wherein said metallic hydroxide is surface-treated with a surface treating agent selected from the group consisting of higher fatty acids, silane coupling agents, titanate coupling agents, silicone compounds and synthetic resins.
3. (Currently amended) The flame-retardant resin composition of claim 1 ~~or 2~~ wherein said resin composition is a mixture of said lactic acid resin, a first aliphatic polyester other than a lactic acid resin or aromatic aliphatic polyester, said first aliphatic polyester or aromatic aliphatic polyester having a glass transition temperature Tg not exceeding 0 degrees Celsius and a crystalline melting temperature Tm of not less than 100 degrees Celsius, and a second aliphatic polyester other than a lactic acid resin or aromatic aliphatic polyester, said second aliphatic polyester or aromatic aliphatic polyester having a glass transition temperature Tg not exceeding 0 degrees Celsius and a crystalline melting temperature Tm of less than 100 degrees Celsius.
4. (Currently amended) The flame-retardant resin composition of ~~any of claims 1-3~~ claim 1 further comprising a carbodiimide compound.
5. (Currently amended) The flame-retardant resin composition of ~~any of claims 1-4~~ claim 1 further comprising an inorganic filler.

6. (Currently amended) A flame-retardant, injection-molded article formed by injection-molding the flame-retardant resin composition of ~~any of claims 1-5~~ claim 1.

7. (Original) The flame-retardant, injection-molded article of claim 6 which is crystallized at a temperature of from 60 to 130 degrees Celsius.

8. (New) The flame-retardant resin composition of claim 2 wherein said resin composition is a mixture of said lactic acid resin, a first aliphatic polyester other than a lactic acid resin or aromatic aliphatic polyester, said first aliphatic polyester or aromatic aliphatic polyester having a glass transition temperature  $T_g$  not exceeding 0 degrees Celsius and a crystalline melting temperature  $T_m$  of not less than 100 degrees Celsius, and a second aliphatic polyester other than a lactic acid resin or aromatic aliphatic polyester, said second aliphatic polyester or aromatic aliphatic polyester having a glass transition temperature  $T_g$  not exceeding 0 degrees Celsius and a crystalline melting temperature  $T_m$  of less than 100 degrees Celsius.

9. (New) The flame-retardant resin composition of claim 2 further comprising a carbodiimide compound.

10. (New) The flame-retardant resin composition of claim 3 further comprising a carbodiimide compound.

11. (New) The flame-retardant resin composition of claim 2 further comprising an inorganic filler.

12. (New) The flame-retardant resin composition of claim 3 further comprising an inorganic filler.

13. (New) The flame-retardant resin composition of claim 4 further comprising an inorganic filler.

14. (New) A flame-retardant, injection-molded article formed by injection-molding the flame-retardant resin composition of claim 2.

15. (New) A flame-retardant, injection-molded article formed by injection-molding the flame-retardant resin composition of claim 3.

16. (New) A flame-retardant, injection-molded article formed by injection-molding the flame-retardant resin composition of claim 4.

17. (New) A flame-retardant, injection-molded article formed by injection-molding the flame-retardant resin composition of claim 5.